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For: DISPENSING DEVICE OF PORTABLE TERMINALS FOR ACQUIRING PRODUCT DATA IN A SHOPPING CENTRE, INTEGRATED SYSTEM FOR DISPENSING SAID PORTABLE TERMINALS, AND INTEGRATED SYSTEM FOR SELLING PRODUCTS THROUGH THE USE OF PORTABLE TERMINALS

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for examination, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 3, line 1, ~~delete "or 2".~~

Claim 5, line 1, ~~delete "or 4".~~

Claim 6, lines 1 and 2, ~~delete "any one of claims from 3 to 5" and insert --claim 3--.~~

Claim 8, line 1, ~~delete "or 7".~~